

SEATTLE
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WHM

TELEPHONE CALL TO GOV HERTER



H said he had only one problem to consult about and that is in connection with the mission to Mexico. The Amb (as he did 6 years ago) has been going around inviting a lot of people to go down with their wives for the Inauguration. He invited the Chief Justice who asked Herter if it is all right to go. He wants to go but will be guided by State. H talked with the Pres about the same mission and he said he did not mind his going - Schultz and Hagerty will go but not on the Delegation. This for Warren. H said some feel if he is not on the Del it would cause some embarrassment. He wonders if we should say don't go. The Sec said it would be awkward for him to be there. H said he would get lost in the shuffle. 60 or 70 have been invited. Meany has already made some motions as to why he cannot be put on the Del. The Sec would not mind that. The Sec asked how big the Del is. H said we sent a memo to the Pres - the Sec, MEisenhower plus three distinguished citizens - 4 members of Congress (2 from each side), the Chairman of the JCS, Rep from the Dept of Labor, Rubottom, Hill and he also mentioned Shivers, Phil Reed, and maybe someone else. The Sec asked if there wouldn't be trouble with ^{Shivers} ~~Johnson~~ - H said there is already trouble with Johnson - he got out an outrageous statement and Hagerty is having a hard time. Waugh is also going. The CJ would be the ranking American there and the Sec said he would be inclined to discourage it but not to the point of forbidding him to go. ^{Sec} The/indicated it would be well

to say that we know they want him to go down and we would like him to go another time but not this time. We would like him to go later when he can talk with the new Prés.

H said nothing ~~is~~ urgent from Geneva. The K statement on Berlin is disturbing. The Sec agreed. The sec said he noticed he talks a lot about violating Potsdam agreements - though not about violating the Geneva agreements 10 years later. He wonders whether we should not suggest that if there is talk of violating agreements^{how} about those of 1955 that the 4 powers had responsibility for the reunification of Germany and that would be by free elections. There may be pitfalls in that but throw it out - EUR might consider it.

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